

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2020**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at City Hall because of the holiday on Monday. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Weber called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call as follows: Reser, Reed, Wiehn, Stewart, Spoon, Shaffer, and Morrison. Absent: Cathcard. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan, Public Works Director Eric Boone, Assistant Police Chief Michael Strode, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

AGENDA APPROVED

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Shaffer, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Shaffer, to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2020, meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

TOM DAVIS

Tom Davis was not present.

REVITALIZE YC

JJ Edwards, representing Revitalize YC, was present to update council on the website they have been working on, possible grants available, The First Impressions Program, the next community meeting and the possibility of placing benches on the sidewalks around the town square.

CITY ATTORNEY

Duncan had nothing at this time.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
ADMINISTRATIVE
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Spoon, to enter into a 15-minute executive session in the council room for the purpose of discussing with the city attorney matters of a confidential character and which is private, with no third parties present. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 7:19pm to reconvene at 7:34pm.

Council reconvened at 7:34pm.



COOP ANHYDROUS

Duncan presented a resolution to allow Woodson County Coop to move their anhydrous tanks to another location on their property.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the council to have Duncan visit with representatives to discuss the possibility of installing a fire hydrant closer to the anhydrous tanks.

No decision was made at this time on the resolution.


**SAFETY
SMOOT CONTRACT**

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Reser, to extend the employment contract of Chief of Police Doug Smoot for six months. Motion carried with Morrison abstaining.

CODE MOWING

Council instructed Duncan to draw up a contract to use between the city and the contractor for code mowing.

Changes to the code mowing bid specifications included mowing the code yards when the height reached eight inches instead of six inches, only spraying herbicide under chain link fences with a spray width not to exceed six inches, and measures to prevent windrows when mowing.



Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Reed, to solicit sealed bids for code mowing. Bids to be returned to City Hall by Friday, February 14, 5:00pm. Motion carried unanimously.

TREE TRIMMING

Changes to the tree trimming bid specifications included trimming the trees to a height of 16 feet above the street and 3 feet back from the curb or edge of street.

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Reed, to solicit sealed bids for tree trimming. Bids to be returned to City Hall by Friday, February 14, 5:00pm. Motion carried unanimously.

LIVING IN CAMPERS

Discussion was held on changing the rules regarding living in a camper inside the city limits. It was the consensus of the council not to change anything based on Duncan's recommendation.

**PUBLIC WORKS
TRUCK REPAIR**

Shaffer presented two quotes to repair the water department's Ford pickup:

Crow-Moddie Ford	\$821.24
Twin Motors Ford	\$864.44

Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Reed, to have Twin Motors repair the pickup not to exceed \$864.44. Motion carried unanimously.

DUMP TRUCK

Shaffer reported that the water department dump truck has sold on Purple Wave. The water department would like to purchase the street department's dump truck and the street department would like to purchase a different dump truck.

Boone provided information on a truck he has found.

WAIVE BID POLICY

Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Reser, to waive the bid policy to purchase the dump truck. Motion carried unanimously.

PURCHASE DUMP TRUCK

Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Spoon, to allow Boone to negotiate for the purchase of a 2006 International 7400 dump truck not to exceed \$39500, with funds to come out of the Municipal Equipment Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

PACKING GLAND

Shaffer presented bids for a packing gland for the high service water pump at the water plant:

Fluid Equipment	\$900.00
Aurora Pumps	\$916.30
Pentair	\$1092.86

Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Reed, to accept the bid from Fluid Equipment not to exceed \$940.00. Motion carried unanimously.

SEWER PLANT BLOWER

Shaffer presented bids for a blower for the sewer plant:

United Blower	\$2940.00
Carotekquickorder.com	\$3006.57

Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Reed, to accept the bid from United Blower not to exceed \$2940.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS
ORDINANCE NUMBER 1126**

Duncan presented Ordinance Number 1126 for approval; AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DISPLAY OF AN ANIMAL CARCASS ON ANY CITY-OWNED OR PUBLIC PROPERTY.

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Reser, to adopt Ordinance Number 1126 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY MOWING

Changes to the city mowing bid specifications included only spraying herbicide under chain link fences with a spray width not to exceed six inches and measures to prevent windrows when mowing.

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Reser, to solicit sealed bids for the mowing of all city-owned property. Bids to be returned to City Hall by Friday, February 14, 5:00pm. Motion carried unanimously.

POOL PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Shaffer, to accept applications for all swimming pool personnel for the 2020 season. Applications due by 5:00pm, Friday, February 14. Motion carried unanimously.

FARM GROUND

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Shaffer, to solicit sealed bids for the three-year lease on the city-owned farm ground. Bids to be returned to City Hall by 5:00pm, Friday, February 14. Motion carried unanimously.

HAY GROUND

It was the consensus of the council to extend the leases on the hay ground properties to three years.

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Shaffer, to solicit sealed bids for the three-year leases on the city-owned hay grounds. Bids to be returned to City Hall by 5:00pm, Friday, February 14. Motion carried unanimously.

POOL UPDATE

Wiehn gave a brief update on the new pool project stating everything is on schedule and she will be letting council know if a work session is needed before construction bids are solicited.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Weber reminded council he would be making the annual appointments at the next meeting and if anyone had any questions or suggestions to please contact him.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$123607.73. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

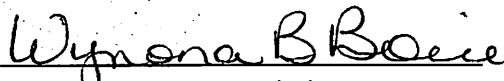
Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 9:10pm.



Benjamin J Weber, Mayor



ATTEST:



Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved February 3, 2020